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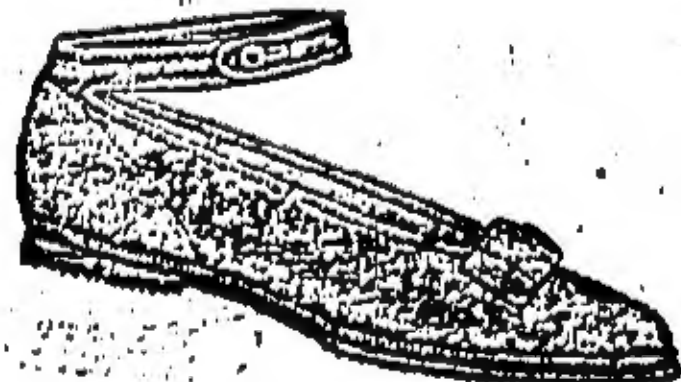
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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TURKEY'S PUNISHMENT.

LONDON, May 11.

The fifth part of the Turkish treaty limits the Turkish armed forces to fifty thousand effectives, including not more than 2,500 officers and the sultan's bodyguard of seven hundred. Compulsory recruiting is abolished. The freedom of the straits is guaranteed by the creation of a zone, in which the fortifications will be demolished and in which France, Britain, and Italy will reserve the right to maintain military, naval, and air forces. The Turkish navy is abolished, except certain vessels for peace and fishery duties. The Turkish air force is also suppressed. The sixth part regulates the return of prisoners of war, and the maintenance of the graves of the fallen. Special provisions are inserted regarding allied graves in Gallipoli. The seventh part provides for the constitution of Allied military tribunals to try those who committed acts in violation of the laws and customs of war and who are responsible for the Turkish massacres during the war. The Allies reserve the right to designate a tribunal or to bring the accused before the tribunal of the League of Nations.

PARIS, May 11.

The Turkish treaty was handed over in the Clock Room at the Foreign Office in the presence of M. Millerand, presiding over a distinguished gathering of allied diplomats. M. Millerand informed the delegation that Turkey is granted a month wherein to deposit observations. Tewfik Pasha received the document in trembling hands, and shortly acknowledged it in a voice shaken with emotion. The session lasted only five minutes.

Subject to the provisions of the treaty the parties agree to the maintenance of Turkish sovereignty in Constantinople but the reservation is made that if Turkey fails to observe the provisions of the treaty or of the supplementary treaties or conventions, particularly as regards the protection of minorities, the allies may modify the above provisions and Turkey agrees to accept any dispositions which may be made in this connection. The navigation of the straits including the Dardanelles, sea of Marmora, and the Bosphorus, will be open in future, both in peacetime and wartime, to all merchantmen, warships, and aircraft without distinction. The commission controlling the straits will be composed of representatives of the United States (if and when the American government is willing to participate), the British Empire, France, Italy, Japan, Russia, Bulgaria (if and when Russia and Bulgaria become members of the League of Nations), Greece and Rumania, one each. Representatives of the three last-named powers will have one vote each. The others will have two votes.

The eighth part of the treaty provides for financial reparation by Turkey for losses caused to the allies, enumerated as follows: one, expenses of the allied forces in occupation after the operation of the treaty; two, similar expenses since Oct. 20; three, indemnities for reparation of damages suffered by allied nationals. The ninth part contains economic provisions, re-establishes various non-political treaties and conventions, and lays down the future principles of settlement regarding companies' concessions in Turkey and territory ceded by Turkey. It provides for the elimination, if thought fit, of German, Austrian, Hungarian, and Bulgarian economic penetration of Turkey by requiring Turkey to liquidate the property of, ex-enemy nationals. Special provisions are included enabling the acquisition of the railways under German control.

THE FINANCE BILL.

THE LEVY ON WAR WEALTH.

LONDON, April 11.

In the House of Commons, during the debate on the second reading of the Finance Bill, Mr. Chamberlain said he hoped the estimates of expenditure on the supply services, which in the current year were reduced by £822,000,000, would be further reduced by £250,000,000 next year. He earnestly advocated the consideration of the desirability of a tax on increased war wealth as an insurance against a levy on capital. It would add to the security of capital and disappoint the hopes of those wishing to see the present commercial system break down under the weight of war. If such a tax could be made to produce approximately £500,000,000 this year he would be able to reduce the excess profits duty to 40 per cent. this year and to anticipate its rapid extinction, leaving the corporation tax with a similar moderate flat rate on all concerns coming within the scope of the excess profits duty. It is noteworthy that the committee considering the levy on war wealth has not yet issued its report.

FAMOUS LITERARY MAN DEAD.

NEW YORK, May 11.

William Dean Howells, the American man of letters, and friend of Mark Twain, has died at the age of 83. He was born in Ohio.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LONDON, May 11.

Leicestershire beat Hampshire by 144 runs.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

CHICAGO, May 11.

Senator Lodge has been chosen as temporary chairman of the Republican National Convention to be held on May 8.

ARRIVALS.

May 12.
The s.s. HANGSANG, Brit., 1,349 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Holmwood, J. M. & Co. Wharf.

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DEPARTURES.

May 13.
The s.s. HOPKINS, (Brit.), Capt. Ferguson, Agents J. M. & Co. Wharf, for Shanghai, via Hongkong, to-day.

The s.s. BEIKIANG, (Brit.), Capt. Barker, Agents B. & S. left for Shanghai to-day.

The s.s. GEORGE, (Brit.), Capt. Walker, Agents China Yee (Eng), left for Hongkong to-day.
The s.s. RYUO MARU, (Jap.), Capt. Matsumoto, Agents M. B. R. left for Keelung to-day.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HAVAS-REVIEW.

PARIS, May 8th.

A Havas message says:—
In a speech delivered at the closing session of the Inter-Parliamentary Commercial Conference, M. Millerand gave a reminder of France's vitality and power of recovery. He emphasised the firm determination of the French nation to obtain reparation for the devastated provinces of France. He said he resolutely accepted the policy of work and restrictions. Ten of its richest Departments had been systematically laid waste. It is asking too much of us to demand that we should think first of the enemy of yesterday, while we still suffer from these terrible ravages. France is working since the last month of 1918. Exports have been increasing. The first three months of this year have given wonderful results; the exports have almost doubled the total of last year for the same period. We have nearly reached the figures of 1913. If the increase continues—and we have every ground to believe that it will—we can count upon our economic situation being completely re-established. American statistics admit that during 1919, the first year of the work of reconstruction, France was second only to Great Britain among the exporting European countries. Does that mean that France can carry out this work of reconstruction alone without the aid of the allies? Would it be absurd to suppose so? One of the great lessons of the war has been that the fates of all nations are linked together.

AMERICAN RAILWAYS.

The Times' New York correspondent says that the executive heads of the railways, testifying before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, declared that unless financial help was forthcoming from the Government American railways in the distant future would find it impossible to move perishable or non-perishable food to the market. Already the railways had ordered 513 locomotives and 37,700 freight cars, involving an obligation to the Banks of \$28,000,000.

FRENCH STRIKE MENACE.

PARIS, May 11th.

To-day indicated that the power of the General Labour Confederation has been broken, despite the fact that it was regarded as the greatest and best organised industrial organisation in Europe. The transport workers have almost unanimously ignored the strike order.

VIENNA DEMONSTRATIONS.

VIENNA, May 11th.

A monster parade of 200,000 demonstrated against the reaction in favour of a tax on capital. There were no disorders, but a Communist meeting at 11 a.m. was followed by serious rioting. The barracks were stormed and firing ensued. Two civilians were killed and 10 wounded.

OIL IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, May 11th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Viscount Curzon, Mr. Rellaway said that eleven oil wells had been drilled in Britain. One had been abandoned owing to the presence of much water. So far, 100,000 gallons of oil had been produced which had been stored pending the decision of the oil rights. Nine other wells were being drilled.

UNREST IN IRELAND.

PARIS, May 11th.

It has been ascertained that a third constable was killed on patrol. He was cycling to Dunwooley to investigate reports of firing there.

Another murder occurred when a Police Sergeant and a constable of the Clonowry Force were ambushed near Clonowry. The constable was seriously injured. A Sinn Féin attack on January 31st. The Sergeant then led the garrison. He was killed instantaneously. The constable escaped unhurt, although shot at by four assailants.

JAPAN AND THE CONSORTIUM.

WASHINGTON, May 10th.

The State Department is informed that Japan has withdrawn all objections to the formation of the Consortium of Bankers to promote a loan to China. A Note has been prepared accepting the terms of Great Britain, America and France.

THE MEXICAN FERMENT.

NEW YORK, May 9th.

The Mexican revolutionists announce that the garrisons of four towns have joined the revolt.

It is reported that General Villa, who is near Chihuahua, has declared a truce with the rebels with the object of joining forces with them. All telegraph and railway communications between the United States border and Mexico City have been severed.

WASHINGTON, May 10th.

Five American destroyers left Keywest, for Tampico.

GALVESTON, May 10th.

Carranza is reported to be in hiding in Vera Cruz which the revolutionists are occupying. His arrest is momentarily expected.

JUICZ, May 10th.

General Villa has laid down arms and captured over his men 10,000 revolutionists in Chihuahua City.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S ADVICE.

WASHINGTON, May 10th.

President Wilson has telegraphed to the Democratic leaders of the State of Oregon requesting the Democratic Party to enter the Presidential campaign "squarely" in favour of the Versailles Treaty and against the Senate's reservations.

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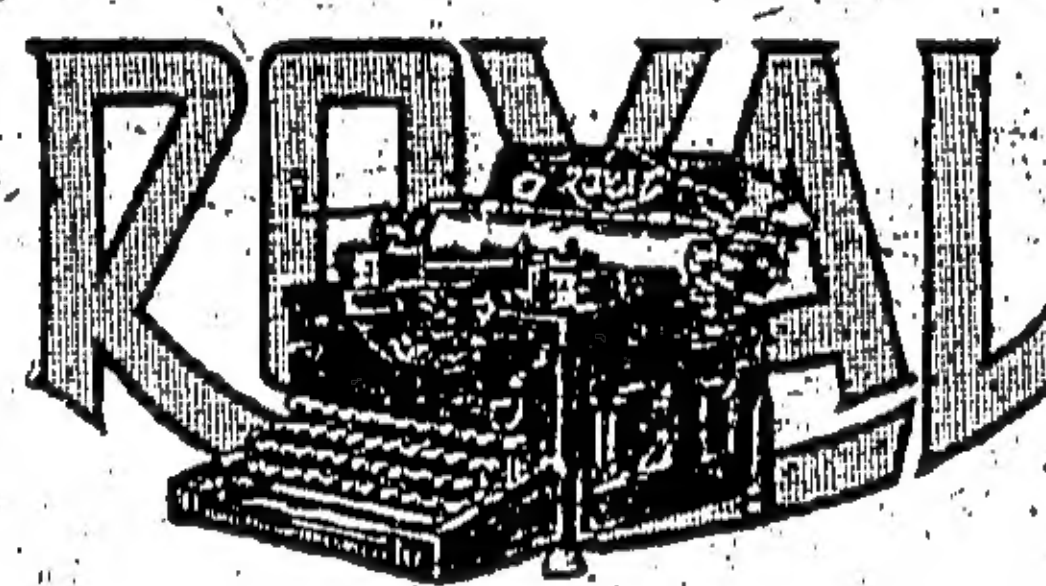
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Hongkong, May 8, 1920.

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SUBJECT to weather conditions the
following dates have been
fixed:—

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TUESDAY, 18th May.

Final Open Championship Doubles,
THURSDAY, 20th May.

Challenge Round Open Champion-
ship Singles, TUESDAY, 25th May.

RESERVED SEATS may now be
booked by Members and Subscribers in
the Pavilion, except between the hours
of 4.15 and 6.30 p.m.

The lists will remain open at the
Pavilion until FRIDAY evening, 14th
May, after that date they will be trans-
ferred to Messrs. Morris & Co. PRICE
\$1. each.

L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 12, 1920.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING will be held at
the Company's Office, St. George's
Buildings, on SATURDAY, 22nd May,
1920, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of
presenting the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Account
to 29th February, 1920, and electing
Directors and Auditors. The TRANS-
FER BOOKS of the Company will be
CLOSED from the 15th to the 22nd
May, 1920, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
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Agents.

Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 47th ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Society will be held
at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4,
Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, 21st May, 1920, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with
the Statements of Account to 31st
December, 1919, and of declaring
Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Society will be CLOSED from 8th
May to 21st May, both days inclu-
sive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.

Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 51st ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be
held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4,
Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, 21st MAY, 1920, at 12.30 p.m., for
the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with the State-
ments of Account to 31st December,
1919, and of declaring Dividends,
&c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
8th May to 21st May, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.

Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 54th ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be
held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4,
Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, 21st MAY, 1920, at 12.45
p.m., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with
the Statements of Account to 31st
December, 1919, and of declaring
Dividends, &c.

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Company will be CLOSED from
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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From CALCUTTA, via RANGOON,
PENANG, and SINGAPORE.

THE above mentioned vessel having
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tioned Ports, Consignees of cargo
are hereby informed that they must
take immediate delivery of same from
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and expense into the Pacific Mail
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declared and before delivery of cargo
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valuation statements and pay a
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goods.

Consignees of cargo are hereby
notified that they must produce an
Import Permit signed by the Superin-
tendent of the Imports and Exports,
Hongkong, before Bills of Lading
can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged
goods are to be left in the godowns,
where they will be examined on
May 17, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within
a week of the steamer's arrival here,
after which they cannot be recog-
nized. No claim will be admitted after
the goods have left the godown, and all
goods remaining undelivered after
MAY 17, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.

Consignees are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersigna-
ture immediately.

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Hongkong, May 11, 1920.

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BRITISH TRADE FIGURES ENCOURAGING.

Of more than passing interest are
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month of January, 1920, showing, as
they do, the United Kingdom's steady
progress toward the equalization of
its trade balance. For the month of
January the total imports were £183,
000,000, while the exports amounted
to £131,000,000. There is a con-
siderable difference between the
two items, it is true, but the
difference is much less than half
of what it was in January, 1919,
when the imports amounted to
£134,000,000 and the exports to only
£51,000,000. It must be remem-
bered that the import values include
freight and insurance, an item that
has an important bearing on the
total figures. During January, 1919,
Great Britain's imports exceeded its
exports in value by more than 150 per
cent; for the year 1919 the average
was about 70 per cent., while for
January, 1920, the excess of imports
over exports was only 40 per cent.
These figures denote a steady pro-
gress that is most encouraging, when
it is remembered that it is scarcely
more than a year since Great Britain
turned from war to industry.

There have been reports that the
people of Great Britain have been
consuming great quantities of mer-
chandise, and producing very little.
These statements are not borne out
by the estimated tonnage of imports
for the year 1919, given out by the
Board of Trade, which place the total
tonnage of imports for 1919 at
38,963,000 tons, as compared with
54,551,000 tons in 1913. It should
be noted that imports of
articles wholly or mainly manu-
factured amounted to 3,622,000 tons in
1919, as against 6,839,000 tons in
1913; food, drink and tobacco
amounted to 13,517,000 tons, as
compared with 18,066,000 tons in
1913, while raw materials amounted
to 21,792,000 tons, as against
29,594,000 tons in the year before
the outbreak of the war.—*Dun's
International Review.*

CEYLON TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

A scheme for the development of
the telephone system in Ceylon has
been prepared by the officials in
Colombo and forwarded to the
Postmaster-General, and will, it is
expected, be in the hands of Govern-
ment shortly.

Since the outbreak of war tele-
phone development in the colony
has been out of the question
owing to the difficulty in obtaining
materials. Repeated requests sent to
England could not be attended to
except in one instance in which the
vessel carrying the goods was sunk
by submarine action. At the same
time the demand for telephones did
not decrease, and at the present
moment there is a waiting list of
about four hundred subscribers some
of whom ordered instruments
three or four years ago. The main
difficulty in supplying them was
that the switch-boards were full. News
has been received, however, that
sufficient materials may be expected
in the next week or two to allow of
some three hundred connections being
made, thus satisfying at once the
majority of people waiting for
instruments.

Very few details are available re-
garding the scheme of development,
but it is believed that telephonic
communication is to be improved in
the Southern suburbs. The present
number of subscribers in Colombo is
less than 2,000.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1920.

PROGRESS AND EFFICIENCY.

The idol makers and idol worshippers are still with us. Though kings no longer rule they are kept, and though gods are no longer divine they are worshipped. Progress is a fetish and efficiency is a fetish, and the medicine-men who boss the corroborators of our pseudo-civilized heathen carry their tongues in their cheeks, for the simple savages never stop their howling or their oblations to ask progress—whether? or efficiency—for what?

John Gilpin made progress. So did the Gadarene swine. So does the modern politician. So do the nations. Charles Peace was highly efficient. So was Lucezia Borgia. So are the professors.

Earth is sick and heaven is weary of the hollow words that States and Kingdoms utter. Mr. Lloyd George prates of "the insurgent forces which threaten destruction" and the purports tremble in their cages, because destruction is a word of dread. Destruction of what? That is the proper question to ask. In this case, all it means is the destruction of Lloyd George's political career, of his self-interested ambitions. Does that matter?

The whole history of our country and our people is a story of insurges leading to the destruction of the bad and the substitution of the better. Why should we worry? Why fall into panic alarms at the reiterated cry of Wolf? Why abandon all our ideals because some political imp holds up a hollow turnip on a stick?

Although it spells present discomfort and inconvenience, although it may even lead toward disastrous experiments and failures, the existing "unrest" is not, per se, a bad thing. It may be, what it has proved to be in the past, that "divine discontent" which leads to betterment. When things are admittedly "bad," who should fear change?

The word revolution has a nasty sound, and when it is uttered in a tone of warning the parrots, think of the guillotine and the sans-culottes. They do not think of the revolution that abolished capital punishment for petty theft, that

abolished duelling, that established habeas corpus, that put an end to slavery, that finished feudalism, that dethroned kings, and forced labour. We have pointed out already in this column that there is no real difference between revolution and evolution. Even a revolution does not happen as the result of a sudden whim. "It is the natural sequel always of a long course of events leading up to it, in the quite respectable way of evolution. It usually means that men have awakened to the fact that a desirable change is coming and that they have decided to hasten it and get it over. Every political revolution is preceded by a revolution in ideas, a mental turn-over. Does the present unrest mean that minds are changing? If not, what else can it mean? Ideas are fermenting, the political yeast is working. We are doing it if we do not prepare for big changes. The war has expedited the process of rationalization that long years of argument failed visibly to stir. As a House writer has recently remarked:

"When that (mental) Revolution is come full circle the axiom will have been established that the happiness and the well being of each individual living creature, the health, contentment, and gladness of man, woman and child are of more value than anything else. They will be set far above the power of sovereigns, the dignity of statesmen, the comfort of ruling classes, far above a great commerce, powerful armaments, vast wealth in the hands of a small number."

By comparing some of the glaring evils of past ages with their absence to-day, we get the idea that progress has been made. But any really judicial weighing of the balances shows that in two thousand years our net gain has been insignificant in the light of the travail it has cost. Progress—to what? Certainly to no Utopia. That word Utopia is another bugaboo, that suffices to stop many movements towards betterment. Efficiency—for what? Until we are efficient revolutionaries, we have no right to brag of efficiency. To make the best of a bad job is not efficiency. To choose the less of two evils when both might be abolished is not efficiency. To let other and self-interested men do our thinking for us is not efficiency. A dog that returns to its vomit may be an efficient dog, but we are men, made (we tell each other) in the image of God. Man is a thinking machine, and should first of all think efficiently. Freedom and happiness is the real goal of progress, and the objective of efficiency. The social unrest at present worrying the

Lloyd George of this world is an indication of the fact that he is beginning to see we are not getting there.

ADVERSARIA.

Men of savvy are in a minority. Hongkong has more than its share of fools and fogies. Its men can show far more of self-confidence than ability. A stupid person is seldom conscious of his limitations. This exposes the Adversarian to an obvious error, and he is quite willing to meet it, as a most propitious opening to argument. The fact that he expends so much energy arguing with and about fools could count as evidence that he is a bit of a fool himself. He is willing to admit that fools can get up to newspaper stuff. He points out confidently, however, that the newspaper job itself must in time make even a fool less foolish than the average fool. As a general rule, it may be taken that the average newspaper man has more savvy than the average outsider. From all we hear about that "private" meeting of the Golf Club at which one of our reporters was rudely treated, the highbrows, panjandrums and fogies did not shine intellectually. The first resolution of the meeting was to exclude the Press, but to engage a verbatim reporter and circulate 500 copies of the report. This will cost them at the very least \$150. It will be slower and less trustworthy than the newspaper reports would have been. For a club supposed to be seriously concerned about its finances, that was a remarkable procedure to adopt.

Why should we say that the verbatim private record will be less trustworthy? It would be easy to ask us something harder. The Golf Club committee has been a sort of happy family all along, doing pretty much as it liked without consulting the general body of members. We hear that it spent \$4,000 on "improving" one hole at Fanling. Towards the end of this meeting somebody got up and blathered something about confidence in the Committee, which might be trusted to get them out of the present "tangle."

How naïve! How exquisitely naïve, seeing that none outside the Committee can be blamed for the tangle. The reason we say that the official report of the meeting will be less trustworthy than a newspaper report would have been is that it will most certainly be edited by a representative of the Committee. Nothing will go out to the 500 members that tells against these atrocious blunders.

Why did they bar it as a private Press? So far as we can hear, they had no argument other than that they had already decided to bar the Press, and to that end had engaged an official note-taker, himself a member of a newspaper staff. The same man would probably have done the reporting for the same paper, so that there is no suggestion that newspaper reporters are inefficient. This high-up club, holding an extraordinary general meeting to decide what to do about its handiwork, engages and pays a man to do something that he would have done for them for nothing. The issue of 500 reports will rather discount the "privacy" of the proceedings. Is it a private club? It is not on the same footing as the Hongkong Club. It is a club that has been lavishly helped by the Government on the ground that it furnishes opportunities for healthy recreation to the community. From the Government's point of view, it is, or ought to be, a public utility.

Or ought to be? Was it that? I lied to make. Now that it has been decided to raise the membership to a thousand, we cannot fairly call it an exclusive club, since that means that more than half our adult civilian population can be members. That in itself rather kills the notion of privacy. In spite of all that we cannot dismiss the feeling that some of the Government wallahs are rather inclined to regard the Golf Club as a preserve for their own class. Government wallahs are never fond of newspaper publicity, except for their good deeds and honours, and it was, we understand, the Colonial Secretary who led the opposition to the motion that this meeting be open to the Press. We have pleasure in telling our public how, according to our information, collected and collated from various persons present, Mr. Fletcher did it.

Seeing that the Golf Club's annual arguments, meetings have been open to the Press, but its secretary has been glad to use the Press in connection with golfing events and records, it was for the opponents; and not for the Press, to show cause why the Press

should not be admitted. The proposal was formally made, and quite sensibly argued, that the meeting should be reported by the Press. Before the proposal was seconded, so that he was patently out of order, but the Colonial Secretary rose to speak against it. In any case that isn't fair. We know of government employees there who disagreed with him but dared not take sides against him. In any case it is in bad taste for a high government official to take that particular line in connection with an institution that the community already thinks has been unduly favoured by the Government. And again in any case, his arguments, so far as they were childish wrong. He argued that because the Government had assisted the Golf Club—in a way that had turned out a good investment—we have only his word for that so far, and would like explanation, amplification, and demonstration—that was no reason to regard the Golf Club as a public institution. He instanced the P. & O. company which gets a Government subsidy for carrying mails. Any reporter could have told him, even if such an absurd analogy were allowed to pass, that all the annual and extraordinary general meetings of the P. & O. company are open to the Press.

In the paragraph entitled "The Committee Agains," we referred to a sort of vote of confidence in the Committee. We understand that, impressed by the reckless way in which the Committee had been handling the club funds, this very meeting decided that in future the Committee should be guided by a Budget, and not be permitted to commit the club to expenditure beyond the provisions thereof. If that had been done long ago, instead of letting Bill and Jim settle things between hole and hole—a truly "hole and corner" way of transacting expensive business—the club might not have found itself in its present financial "tangle."

The main strafe, inconsistent, of course, concerned the proposals to increase the subscriptions. This does not worry us, as no principle is involved (except that perhaps the cost of a public means of recreation should be minimized) but it worries quite a lot of the members. (How is it that when raising the membership from 600 to a thousand they need a bigger subscription? That seems inconsistent.) If they desire 400 more, are they not encouraging candidates by making golf dearer? They raised the subscription when war reduced the membership. Why not reduce it when the membership is so enormously increased? Because more members need more accommodation. Quite so. So this club, in a terrible financial tangle, and with overvalued accommodation, seeks to solve the problem by increasing the membership, and increasing its burden of expenditure. Maybe there's a catch in it somewhere. Maybe the Adversarian is too dull to do simple sums. But by Jings, if that Golf Club bunch claims to represent the intellectual acumen of Hongkong, he is willing to match the Onion Club against it, putting one onion brain against three golf brains, and wagering his new shirt that the golfers will rank as also Rams. Killing falcons of the "flannelled fowls" of cricket and the "muddled cats" of football. We must cable him for a slap-up poetic phrase that will fit these solemn dunderheads of golf.

DELEGATION FROM AMERICA TO PHILIPPINES.

The s.s. "Mount Vernon," one of the largest vessels of the American government, is in San Francisco making ready for a voyage to the Far East with a delegation of Congressmen on board of more than 100, and this delegation, it is understood, will investigate conditions in the Philippine Islands in connection with the proposals for independence submitted by a delegation from the Philippine Legislature which visited the United States during the war.

The "Mount Vernon," it is said, will also call at China ports, while in the Far East, and also at Hongkong, and, as many of the Congressmen will be accompanied by their wives, in the event of the vessel calling here local American Society will enjoy quite an addition to its numbers for a time. The vessel is scheduled to sail from San Francisco on the 5th of July, and is to call, first, at Japan ports, thence to ports on the China coast, en route to Manila.

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JAPANESE SHIP'S OFFICER FINED.

Before Captain Basil Tylor, R.N., Marine Magistrate, M. Yamaguchi, the first mate of the s.s. "Yei Maru No. 2," was charged, yesterday afternoon, with unlawfully delaying and impeding the Harbour Master in obtaining the information of the ship as required in accordance with Table KA of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, and, further, for refusing to give such information as was required, in Victoria Harbour, on Tuesday on May 11th.

The boarding officer testified that he went alongside the vessel, about 8 a.m. of the day in question, upon arrival of the ship in port. Lighters were tied up on each side of the ship, making it difficult for the boarding officer to get on board the ship. For that reason the boarding officer sent his coxswain with the required blank form with the request that it be filled in and returned. The coxswain reported back, about fifteen minutes later, with the form not filled in, stating that the mate refused to fill it in, as he had no time, and that he did not care for the European in the launch.

Complainant then went on board, with the coxswain, and asked defendant why he did not fill in the form. Defendant was sitting in his room at the time, and turning around to face complainant, said that he had no time to do so. The boarding officer then asked for the Master of the ship, and was informed that the Master was on shore. Defendant went on with his work. After considerable argument, defendant finally filled in the form. Upon being told that the matter would be reported to the Harbour Master, defendant became very aggressive. As the boarding officer was leaving the ship defendant gave vent to many remarks, the nature of which the boarding officer did not understand. The boarding officer testified that he had waited fully a half hour on board this ship, and that there were nineteen ships to be boarded that morning.

A very weak defence was offered by the mate. He was fined \$25.

A Japanese should be the last person to flout authority, for his own officials would not tolerate such disrespect.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 4s. 1½d.

The London Gazette of March 10, says that Major J. J. Kirkpatrick, R. Inniskilling Fusiliers, retires on retired pay on 11th March. He was appointed to General Staff, Hongkong, in July 1919.

Some of the lifts are still giving trouble, and considerable money is probably being spent in effecting their repairs. The lift in No. 1 Queen's Building is closed, and the one next door is giving trouble.

The s.s. "Africa," Lloyd Triestino Line, Messrs. Dodwell and Company, Agents, leaves Yokohama on the 23rd instant for Hongkong, via Kobe, is expected to arrive here on the 30th of May, and will sail the following day for Venice and Trieste via her usual ports of call.

Bishop Norris of North China, who is on his way to attend the Church Conference in London, is expected to spend the week end here and will preach at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday at the morning and evening services. Dr. Norris will be remembered here as conducting the Mission of Repentance and Hope in 1916.

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with returning from banishment, he said he could do nothing in the country, and decided to go to Siam to try his luck. He had to come to Hongkong to get a steamer. The Police said the defendant had a most venerable record of crime, and was banished for life—Twelve months' hard labour and four hours' stocks in lieu of the last day.

The s.s. "Song Ma," Messrs. P. Lapicque & Company, owners, which was wrecked near Huenghom Bay en route from Haiphong to this port, is being attended by a steamer from Haiphong, which has a party on board to inspect and endeavour to repair the vessel. Doubt exists as to whether the vessel can be floated, and should the present efforts fail, the "Song Ma" will be abandoned as a total wreck. Almost all of the cargo has been saved.

Li Fat and Yuen Ki Chai, boatman and passenger, respectively, were parties in a procedure brought against them by Lance Sgt. A. H. Blackman. They were tried before the Marine Magistrate, Captain Basil Tylor, R.N., charged with unlawfully looting alongside the "Hui Yuen," while that vessel was under way on the 12th instant. The boatman was found guilty, after evidence was heard, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$3 or serve 10 days in jail. He worked over the \$3.

WAYS THAT ARE DARKLY OFFICIAL.

Obtuse indeed are the ways of Officialdom.

At 10.20 a.m. the Colonial Secretary states that a copy of the new Civil Service salary scale for a certain department has already been forwarded that morning to the head of the department concerned, and that within another half hour a second department will also be sent the new rates of remuneration for its employees.

A visit to the first department finds the head thereof evasive. He seems to doubt whether the copy of the new scale has arrived, and is inclined to deprecate publication. It is at once pointed out to him that the rates for other departments have already appeared in the newspapers, and a telephone message obtains the full authority of the Colonial Secretary to give the particulars of the new salaries to the Press. The head then blandly remarks that though he has the information in his possession at that very moment he feels that it cannot be given until the following morning at the earliest. For why? He does not wish the new salaries to be published in the newspapers until he himself has announced them to the employees concerned—a task that he fears will take at least a day.

Yes, he agrees that were the information obtained through another source—a possibility he cannot deny—the effect of its publication would be the same. But, no, that is not his point. He, as head of his department, does not wish the particulars published until he has announced them to the employees of his department. He seems to labour under a delusion that it is of first importance that the scale should be published with the tag "Official." In vain is it pointed out to him that the mere appearance of the scale in print is sufficient guarantee to the majority of readers of its accuracy, that the quickest way to circulate the employees is through the newspaper, and that beyond an academic objection nothing is to be gained by further secrecy. No, the head politely but resolutely declines to give the desired information.

The Colonial Treasurer is next approached as it is understood that a duplicate of every scale as it is issued is forwarded to his department for guidance in the compilation of the pay-sheets. True, the duplicates do come to this department, but, sorry, neither of those for the two departments in question has yet arrived. But call again in the afternoon, by all means.

A visit to the head of the second department is also fruitless. The Colonial Secretary's half hour has lengthened into hours but no sign has yet been seen of the new scale. It is believed that it has been entrusted to a messenger.

In the afternoon the Colonial Treasurer is again approached and promptly makes available the rates of pay for the first department which are duly copied and rushed to the newspaper office in time for insertion in that afternoon's paper. Thus does the head of one department (unconsciously, perhaps) condemn and nullify the action of the head of another department.

The elasticity of the Colonial Secretary's half hour cannot be ascertained that afternoon, at least, as the head of the second department is "out" to telephonic enquiry until after the paper has gone to Press. There is still a chapter to add, and this the most satirical touch of all. Presumably ignorant that the Colonial Treasurer has given the full particulars to the Press, the head of the first department suddenly sends to the newspaper office a brief circular issued to the employees concerned, which, of course, arrives too late for publication that afternoon. Yes, a brief circular, indeed, a very brief circular, giving not more than half of the new rates fixed and omitting all but the bare figures. The circular, furthermore, unblushingly states in two places "numbers not specified," when, whisper it not, the copy held by the Colonial Treasurer—said to be a duplicate of the original in the possession of the departmental head and published in full in the China Mail—gives the actual numbers! If the salary scale could be given in full to the Press by the Colonial Treasurer, then, why not in full by the head of the department to the men concerned?

It is awful to think that real business is entrusted to such devious intellects. There is something not quite human about them. They are not automatons, because they manifest a sort of will power, that can be very stubborn. They are not administrators, because reason means nothing to them. What are they? Hush. They are officials.

1,250 RICSHAS IN CANTON.

The syndicate for the conduct of the ricksha traffic has been informed by the Canton Municipality that it may still enjoy its monopoly to run 1,250 rickshas until its term of five years expires. If the monopoly holders wish to run more than 1,250 rickshas, additional licences may be procured in accordance with the regulations of the Municipality.

CASUAL NOTES.

BY "THE TRAMP."

The new rates of salary for our Civil Servants are gradually coming out, but so far do not seem to be giving satisfaction. The increase granted the Police are good in some cases, and no one will gainsay that they are well deserved. A European starts at a rate sixty per cent above that which pertained in the "good old days" before the war. This, together with the abolition of the rank of constable—something for the bank or the wife as the case may be, and something in the way of personal pride—should go a long way towards promoting a state of content.

In general civil servants will be rid of the nightmare of exchange. Their pay is fixed at a 2s. rate and all they have to do is to add a "nought" at the end of their sterling figures to get their pay in dollars. (No charge is made for this reliable and important piece of information.) The great thing is that they will now know exactly what's coming to them—financially.

There is an interesting point for our rent profiteers to consider. It is to be assumed they are repaying very quiet. The Government considers that six per cent of an employee's salary is sufficient for him to pay in rent. Thus a civil servant who collects \$500 monthly, if he is not entitled to free quarters, returns to the Government the sum of \$30 for quarters. Now a man outside earning \$400, and needing the same accommodation (say a three roomed flat) will have to pay, between \$100 and \$120. Remember also that the Government man has a pension to look forward to.

A Shanghai paper referring to housing in that city says, "Nowadays it seems impossible to get a house at a face rental and to get one on a reasonable, or even any kind of lease, seems like crying for the moon. To-day salary earners are paying on an average one-third of their earnings for housing, whereas, they should not be called upon to pay any more than one-tenth. Either salaries must be increased or rents lowered—and very much lowered."

With all this "The Tramp" agrees, and is not disposed to quibble over the proportion of 10 per cent. or 6 per cent. The alternatives named are both logical and would be popular here as well as in Shanghai. There is one other method and that is for employers to build quarters and rent them at say 10 per cent of the employees' salary. Do you think they will do it? Will they?—I.

Since the accident last Sunday "The Tramp" has been asked why something isn't said about roads. It's often been done and I have said things about them which could not be printed. Solemn protest is hereby entered against the excessive use of sand and ruts. After this I am going to skid in silence and draw the insurance money for repairs.

THE LATE WARDER SPEED.

LETTER FROM HIS WIDOW.

The following letter has been received by Mr. C. Bond from Mrs. Speed in reply to a communication from the Sergeants Mess and the Mess of other ranks, expressing sympathy at the death of her husband.

16, Oxford Road, Ranelagh, Dublin, Ireland.

March 26.

Dear Sir,—I wish to thank you and all through you for the kind sympathy conveyed to me in your letter of December 15, 1919 of the great loss of my dearly loved husband. I have one great thought that he died like a soldier. It has been a great blow to me and our baby whom he had never had the happiness of seeing, not even the photo which has been returned to me. I well know he was loved by everyone who came in contact with him as his general disposition was rare and our married life was perfect and it seems cruel that he was the one chosen for such a death and I am left to drift in loneliness with a baby.

Again thanking you and all for your kind sympathy which I much appreciate.

Yours Sincerely
A. SPEED.

NEW BRITISH STEEL CORPORATION.

News comes from Montreal, Canada, of the consolidation of nine steel, coal and transportation companies of Canada into the British Steel Corporation with a capital of \$500,000,000. This is the largest merger of the kind ever consummated in the British Empire and is second only to that of the United States Steel Corporation of America.

THE TRUTH ABOUT KOLCHAK.

GENERAL JANIN SPEAKS.

This gallant French officer, commander-in-chief of the allied troops in Siberia until they split up, passed through Hongkong on the "Arandora Behic." He is no Bolshevik, and his remarks on Kolchak may now be accepted by those who have considered other evidence tainted.

Kolchak was no virtuous hero defending the world against an evil menace. He was a brutal Russian. He was no martyr, surrendered and betrayed. He was a wretch in hiding, whose atrocities had provoked a rising, and he was deservedly shot when caught. He seems also to have been a pigheaded fool, accepting the Allied assistance so mistakenly given, but not Allied advice or Allied methods.

General Janin denied that the Czech-Slovaks handed Kolchak over to the Bolsheviks. At Irkutsk, said General Janin, Kolchak was responsible for many murders. He killed 31 officials of the town, and 40 railway employees, and there was a local revolution there. The Czechs were 18 miles away when he was captured, and under orders from their own government to meddle no more in Russian affairs. General Janin at the time was many miles away on the east.

To a representative of the *China Mail*, whom he favoured, not with an interview, but a "conversation," as he preferred to put it, the General made an emphatic denial of the statement that Kolchak was surrendered to the Bolsheviks by his orders. Kolchak, he said, would accept no advice either from himself or the British. He had met Kolchak in Russia before the revolution and again while at Omsk.

At Irkutsk, continued the General, Kolchak earned the bitter hatred of the inhabitants by the murder of 31 officials of the town and 40 railway employees whom he had drowned in Lake Baikal. It was in consequence of this atrocity that a revolution occurred at Irkutsk and that Social Revolutionaries from that town were incited to capture Kolchak whom they found in hiding in a little cottage eastward of Irkutsk. Before Cernomir could effect his rescue, Kolchak was shot. The Czech-Slovaks, who were 18 miles from Irkutsk, had been ordered by their Government not to interfere in the internal politics of the country, and General Janin himself was at the time many miles from the town.

The General reiterated that he had had nothing to do with the surrender of Kolchak, and expressed the conviction that Kolchak had his own brutality and obstinate disregard of advice to blame for his death, which he suffered, not at the hands of the Bolsheviks from Omsk, but at the hands of the local Social Revolutionaries whose bitter hatred he had provoked by the atrocity at Lake Baikal.

In response to the question, "Do you think the Allies did much good in Siberia?" the General smiled and gave an expressive shrug of his broad shoulders. "But, yes," he said, "it was like seed falling on stone." The seed might come up? No, he did not think so. Seed sown on stone never came up.

"But did not the Allies believe that they were not wasting time, men, and money in attempting to stem the tide of Bolshevism in Siberia and reduce chaos to order?" inquired our representative.

"The National Council—Supreme Council, you say?" of Paris thought so," replied the general. "But it is one thing to plan in Paris and another to act in Siberia."

"So now the Allies are all leaving Siberia?"

"Yes, it is enough—a whimsical laugh—it is enough!"

"But what is to happen in Siberia?"

"Ah! yes, the situation, it is very complicated. Yes, very complicated. No man knows, but perhaps *Le Diable* could tell. Perhaps, yes; perhaps no! In Siberia they are much divided. They seem to be against any Government, Bolshevik or anti-Bolshevik!"

Though questioned regarding the presence of the Japanese in Siberia, the General would not commit himself. He had been Commander-in-Chief of the Czech-Slovak, Polish, Lithuanian, British, French, Rumanian, Serbian, and Croatian troops in Siberia, numbering nearly 80,000 men, but not the American and the Japanese troops. His report on the Siberian situation absorbed several Kilos of paper.

The General was somewhat amused at a photograph of himself appearing in a local newspaper, together with an interview. The photograph, he said, was an old one, and as to the interview, he had not been interviewed by a journalist since he left Paris. It was possible that a member of his staff had been approached, but not in Hongkong. His age was not, as stated, 55 years, but nearly 58.

The General, who is of commanding figure, with somewhat florid features, penetrating blue eyes, and a heavy dark moustache, was dressed in the blue French uniform with a liberal display of war decorations, including the Cross of the Legion of Honour. He was generous in his praise of the beauty of Hongkong, but complained that it was very hot after his sojourn in

THE YING WA COLLEGE.

ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS MEETING.

Favoured with ideal weather, the annual athletic sports meeting of the Ying Wa College was held on the Race Course yesterday afternoon. There was a big gathering of parents and friends of the students present, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. The competitors entered into the spirit of the sport with zest, with the result that every event was keenly contested and some very close and exciting finishes were witnessed. The Senior Championship of the meet was won by Fung Lu Kai, a very promising all round athlete. Ho King secured the Junior Championship without very great effort, winning nearly all the principal events in his class. At the conclusion, the Hon. Mr. P. Hobson Holyoak distributed the prizes to the successful competitors.

In inviting Mr. Holyoak to give away the prizes, Mr. A. Hughes, the Headmaster, stated that the sports had been very successful, thanks to the generosity of friends, especially Mr. Holyoak, who had contributed largely to the Prize Fund. They were very glad to see Mr. Holyoak who had always taken a keen interest in the sports of the school. He also thanked Mr. Evans Stewart, who had just come from France, for acting as Starter, Corporal Tilling, for acting as starter, and the teachers for generally looking after the arrangements.

Mr. Holyoak addressed the boys after the prizes had been given out, but said nothing that requires record. He was cheered.

THE RESULTS.

The following were the results:—
Long Jump (Senior).—1. Fung Lu Kai; 2. Ng Wai Tak; 3. Chan Shain Yew; 4. Fung Lu Kong.
Long Jump (Junior).—1. Ho King; 2. Ng Wai Keung; 3. Chan Kwai Sang.

100 Yards (Senior).—1. Fung Lu Kai; 2. Ng Wai Tak; 3. Cheong Kong Cha.
100 Yards (Junior).—1. Kong Chuen On; 2. Ho King; 3. Ng Wai Keung.

100 Yards (Small Boys).—1. Chan Kwai Sang; 2. Tong Tai Lam; 3. Tam Shau Wai.

High Jump (Senior).—1. Lo Kam Tong; 2. Cheong Kong Cha; 3. Chan Shain Yew.

High Jump (Junior).—1. Ng Wai Keung; 2. Fung Ping Yee; 3. Au King.

220 Yards (Senior).—1. Fung Lu Kai; 2. Ng Wai Tak; 3. Cheong Kong Cha.

220 Yards (Junior).—1. Kong Chuen On; 2. Ho King; 3. Ng Wai Keung.

220 Yards (Small Boys).—1. Chan Kwai Sang; 2. Tong Tai Lam; 3. Sun Lu San.

Three-Legged Race.—1. Sun Lu Ping and Chan Shing Yew; 2. Leung Nai Yung and S. K. Kwan; 3. Cheung Heung Cha and Cha King.

300 Yards (Handicap).—1. Au Ping Kwong; 2. Sun Lu Ping; 3. Tam Yai Koun.

Quarter Mile (Senior).—1. Fung Lu Kai; 2. Ng Wai Tak; 3. Chan Shain Yew.

Quarter Mile (Junior).—1. Cheung Ping Kwai; 2. Ho King; 3. Cheung Heung Cha.

50 Yards Race (Small Boys).—1. Yung Kai Tung; 2. Hung Chan Chiu; 3. Leung Siu Wai.

Half Mile (Senior).—1. Sun Lu Ping; 2. Leung Kap Fai; 3. Tam Wing Ip.

Half Mile (Junior).—1. Au King; 2. Ko You Sing; 3. Ng Wai Keung.

1 Mile Bicycle Race.—1. Tsui Hong Ning; 2. Ho Wai; 3. Pun U Hang.

Old Boys' Race (300 Yards).—1. Lau Hung Chit; 2. Ping Siu Kee; 3. Tong Kwai Chiu.

Mathematical Race.—1. Cheung Ping King; 2. Leung Nai Hang; 3. Ng Lu Tung.

Team Race.—1. Class 3; 2. Class 4; 3. Class 7.

Siberia. While on the Peak yesterday, he had been surprised to meet a British Officer whose acquaintance he had made at Omsk. Naturally he was looking forward with keen anticipation to his return to his beloved France. His home is at Grenoble.

General Janin received his military education at the College of St. Cyr, and after a term of service on the staff of the War Office, held command of the 66th Regiment until the outbreak of hostilities. Having served with distinction in Northern France in the early days of the war, he was appointed to Marshal Joffre's staff, and later to act as Chief of Staff to General Castelnau. In 1916, as head of a military mission he went to Petrograd where he received a cordial reception from the late Czar, of whom he was a personal friend. From conditions then prevalent in Russia, General Janin predicted the revolution that was to follow. On his return to France in 1917 he reorganised the Czech-Slovak Army on the Western Front, and when Siberia became the scene of hostilities he was sent to that country as head of the French Military Mission to take command of the Allied forces.

SANITARY INSPECTORS' IRISH RISE.

HOW THE NEW SCALE WORKS.

So far the new rates of salary for our Civil Servants do not seem to be meeting with a very glad reception. A *China Mail* representative strolled up to a group of Sanitary Board Inspectors this morning and proceeded to offer his congratulations on their "rise." He was told not to look so happy, as the rise was a myth. The greatest blow of all was to meet one of the Inspectors who has thirty years' Government service to his credit and who also celebrates his birthday today. Expressions of goodwill on the natal event were cordially accepted, but not so on the salary question. A few examples will satisfy the public that the Government scheme is not so generous as it appears on paper.

There is one gentleman who has been in the service 25 years and out of that time he has taken something under two months' leave. Previously he was classed as a Senior Inspector, but in the regrading, or degrading, as he describes it, he becomes a First Class Inspector. He has been drawing the maximum pay in his class for some time and it is assumed that he now takes the maximum pay under the new schedule. Before the war his pay was £340, taken as to 80 per cent. at £19 and as to the remainder at the current rate of exchange and minus the allotment for the Widows and Orphans Fund. In those days the actual salary he received, with this deduction, was £277.49 a month. Later he benefited under the 20 per cent. temporary allowance, his wages last month being £333.91. This figure is exclusive of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund contribution. He now becomes a First Class Inspector and the maximum pay is £360 a year. This is converted at the rate of 2/- to the dollar giving him a yearly salary of \$3,600 or \$300 a month. From that the Widows' and Orphans' contribution of 4 per cent. is deducted, his net income being \$288. It will thus be seen that his "rise" has resulted in a loss of \$45.91 monthly. This Inspector gets allowances for language, but these have not been included in any of the figures. The amounts are simply what he receives as salary.

In another case an Inspector has 30 years' service. Last month he drew \$306.57 with the rank of Plague Inspector. He also becomes a First Class Inspector and his rate of pay is again \$288. He shows a loss of \$18.67. In addition under old rates of pay his pension would be £207.18 whereas the new scheme will give him only £215.

The case of the Second Class Inspectors is a little more hopeful, but not much. One Inspector has been drawing his maximum since 1908 and he is now awarded an increase of just over \$15 a month. His old salary was £225 including the 20 per cent. allowance, paid in the usual proportions and less the Widows' and Orphans' contribution. That gave him \$224.02 a month. Under the new scheme his pay is advanced to £300 paid at 2/- or \$250 a month. From this 4 per cent. W. and O. Fund is deducted giving him \$240. His gain is \$15.98.

In addition to this the First Class Inspectors argue that their chances of promotion are small, in fact they are practically at a "dead end."

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[BY COURTESY "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

AVIATOR DELAYED.

PEKING, May 11. The Italian aviator, who was due to-day, has been delayed at Tsingtau by engine trouble and sickness. He will arrive on Monday.

THE "SILESIA" INCIDENT SETTLED.

PEKING, May 11. The "Silesia" incident closed today with an exchange of Notes between the Italian Legation and the Waichalopo. The former explains the difficulty of interfering with the action of the Maritime Court, but the Government have indicated the Lloyd Trestino Company to withdraw the action and, consequently, the steamer will be released within six days. Italy asks China not to claim damages, and China agrees to this but declines to accept responsibility for any third party who may bring an action claiming damages.

AMERICA, JAPAN AND SIBERIA.

PEKING, May 11. A message from Washington states that the U.S.A. Government issued a statement on May 9 denying that America had reached any agreement endorsing Japanese action in Siberia.

Two new launches are being built for the "WALLA-WALLA" fleet. Phone No. 3510.

LOAN TO CANTON.

FOR STREET WIDENING PURPOSES.

Yesterday at Hongkong the directors of the Kwangtung Tram Company held a meeting and decided to advance to the government of Canton, on security, a loan of \$400,000. Three directors were appointed to look after details. The money is to be used exclusively on the provision of more maloes (main streets) and the compensation of property owners therefore.

BRITISH NORTH-BORNEO GOVERNOR VISITS MANILA.

His Excellency, the Governor of British North-Borneo, and the president of the Chartered Bank, accompanied by a score of the most prominent government officials and business men of that territory, will pay a visit to Manila, where they are expected to arrive on the 14th instant.

Arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors are being made by the Philippine Government. His Excellency will be tendered public and private receptions in which the British Colony of Manila will take a prominent part in welcoming the visiting dignitaries. The visitors will be guests of the British Consul General during their stay in Manila.

HIGH SUGAR IN AMERICA.

The sugar situation in America has become so serious that the government has commenced seizing supplies in cases where hoarding is suspected.

In one city in the Middle West supplies hoarded by twenty wholesale grocers were seized, and in Salt Lake City, Utah, the centre of the best sugar industry, supply of 250,000 pounds was seized by orders from Washington. This sugar was part of the reserves of the Idaho Sugar Company, the largest producers of beet sugar in the Middle West, as a result of an announcement by that company of an increase in the price of the refined article from 13 to 22.75 cents per pound, an increase of 9.75 cents per pound.

THE LAD'S RESPONSIBILITIES.

The young Chinese shroff employed at the Land Office, the eldest son of Chan Fui, the Police accountant who was some time ago convicted of embezzlement, was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith charged on remand with the embezzlement of \$104, the property of the Government. Mr. F. W. Hamilton, to the Land Office, who prosecuted, said that the defendant's father had got into trouble recently, and had incurred some expense in connection with the defence of his case. The boy took the money to pay the lawyer's fees. Since his father's arrest, a lot of responsibility had fallen on the shoulders of the young man (he is only 20 years of age), in that he was the sole supporter of his mother and younger brothers and sisters. Since the prosecution against the defendant had started, said Mr. Hamilton, he had refunded the money, and in view of this, and the fact that the defendant had been dismissed from Government service, he (Mr. Hamilton) had been instructed by the Colonial Secretary to ask his Worship to give the boy a chance. His Worship discharged the defendant.

A RISKY GAME.

Inspector Caygill this morning charged a Chinese before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, as the 9th Magistrate, with the theft on the 9th inst., of two coats from No. 274 Canton Road, Yaumatei, and the theft from the same house, on the 10th inst., of a waterproof coat and two other pieces of clothing. The defendant admitted the charges. The Inspector said that the inmates of the house, amongst whom was a Chinese constable, who is on long leave, missed two coats on the 9th inst., and on the following day missed the raincoat and other property. They decided to keep watch, and on the night of the 11th instant, the watchers saw the defendant climb over to their verandah from the house next door, and immediately grabbed him. Asked if there was anything known about the defendant, the Inspector said he was banished for five years in 1911, but his term had already expired. Three months' hard labour.

A PARENT'S DUTY.

YOUR boy is always getting scratched or cut—or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right, no sign they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and use that every injury is cured for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poison is too dangerous a disease to risk. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES.

MORE FIGURES ANNOUNCED.

In connection with the new scale of salaries for the local Civil Service, the salary for the post of Attorney General has been fixed at \$1,800 a year instead of the \$1,500 provided in the last Estimates.

The revised salaries for the Harbour Department are as follows:—
Harbour Master, \$800 to \$1,000, by \$50 annually.

Assistant Harbour Master, \$550 to \$750, by \$25 annually.

First Boarding Officer, \$400 to \$500, by \$20 annually.

Second Boarding Officer, \$320 to \$380, by \$10 annually.

Inspector of Junks, \$350 to \$450, by \$10 annually.

Clerk, Harbour Office, \$220 to \$300, by \$10 annually.

Lighthouse Keepers Class I, \$320 to \$400, by \$20 annually.

Lighthouse Keepers, Class II, \$260 to \$300, by \$10 annually.

Government Marine Surveyor, \$700 to \$800, by \$20 annually.

The Harbour Master will continue to draw his present salary of \$900, plus 20 per cent., until he draws pension. His position will be based upon a salary of \$1,000.

Commander Beckwith's emoluments as Acting Superintendent of Imports and Exports will be at the rate of \$850 per annum and the salary already drawn by him should be adjusted accordingly.

Boarding Officers, Inspector of Junks, and Clerk, Harbour Office, are entitled to free quarters or an allowance in lieu.

Lighthouse Keepers Taylor, Johnson, McKay, and Hast should be placed in the First Class; Lighthouse Keepers Harvey and McGrann should be placed in the Second Class, subject to any recommendation which the Harbour Master may wish to make. The Lighthouse Keepers are entitled to free quarters in the Light-house, and to an allowance in lieu when they are in Hongkong.

A further recommendation will be addressed to the Harbour Master regarding the salaries of the Assistant Marine Surveyors.

The revised salaries for the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court, are:—
Registrar \$900 to \$1,000 by \$50 annually.

Deputy Registrar \$700 to \$800 by \$25 annually.

A European named J. Conicos who was yesterday arrested in Wanchai for being drunk and incapable, and was allowed out on bail of \$5, failed to appear before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning. The bail was estreated.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of the Mortgagees

MESSES LAMBERT BROTHERS have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of May, 1920, at 12 o'clock noon, at their Salesroom in Duddell Street, Victoria, Hong Kong.

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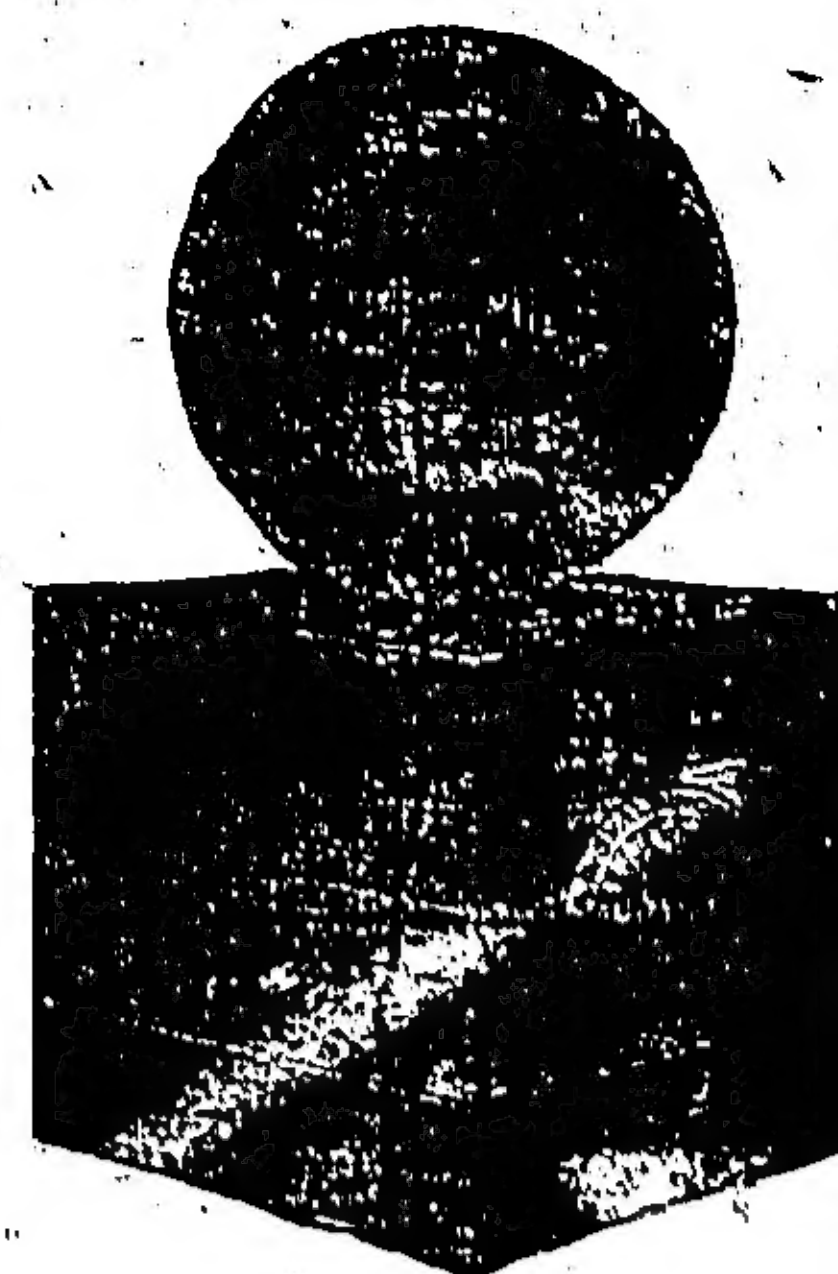
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PANARUKAN.....May 18, at 10 a.m.

SWATOW & BANGKOK.....May 18, at 10 a.m.

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COMPANY REPORT.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The following is the report for presentation at the seventeenth ordinary general meeting of shareholders, to be held at the head office of the Company, No. 7, Kiukiang Road, Shanghai, on Friday, the 21st May, 1920, at 4.30 p.m.

The Directors have pleasure in submitting, for the information of shareholders, the annexed duly audited statement of the Company's accounts to the 31st December, 1919.

1918.—The balance at credit of this account is Tael 466,902.72. After deducting the following items—Interim and second dividends, totalling 30%, and bonus of 15% upon contributory Marine Premium—Tis. 76,272.99

Amount written off premises, passed at last annual meeting, 30,000.00
Amount written off sterling securities, 23,027.66
Transferred to exchange and investment fluctuation account, 75,000.00

there remains a sum of Tael 262,602.07 which the Directors recommend should be appropriated in the following manner—

£20,000 transferred to Reinsurance Fund.
And the remainder to be transferred to Underwriting Reserve Account, closing the Account for 1918.

1919.—The balance at credit of this account is Tael 933,190.18. The Directors recommend that an interim Dividend of 15% on the paid-up capital be paid to shareholders; that a bonus of 20% upon Contributory Marine Premium be paid and that the remainder be carried forward.

Directors.—It is with great regret that the Directors have to record the death of Mr. Eugene Binder of Messrs. Olivier & Company, who joined the Board in 1918. During the year Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Company, joined the Board. In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association the Directors all retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Audit.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, who again tender their services to the Shareholders.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

W. NATION,

Acting Secretary and General Manager.

Shanghai, 29th April, 1920.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1919.

LIABILITIES.	Tael.	£	s.	d.
Capital Account:				
10,000 Shares at £5=£50,000 @ 7/9	129,032.26	50,000	0	0
Sterling Reserve Fund £220,000 @ 7/9	567,741.93	220,000	0	0
Silver Reserve Fund	370,000.00	143,375	0	0
Underwriting Reserve Account £31,274.16 @ 7/9	209,741.51	81,274	16	9
Reinsurance Fund	218,831.19	84,797	1	9
Exchange & Investment Fluctuation Account	127,870.31	49,549	14	11
War Tax Suspense Account £15,000 @ 7/9	38,709.68	15,000	0	0
Working Account 1918:				
Amount Brought Forward from below	Tis. 466,902.72			
Deduct—				
Interim and Second Dividends and Bonus to contributors Tis. 76,272.99				
Written off Premises	30,000.00			
Written off Sterling Securities	23,027.66			
Transferred to Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account	75,000.00			
Working Account 1919:				
Amount Brought Forward from below	933,190.18	361,611	3	11
Sundry Creditors	144,959.52	56,171	16	3
The depreciation in values of Gold and Silver Securities is more than covered by Exchange and Investment Fluctuation A/c.				
(At Exchange 7/9 per Tael) Tael...	3,002,678.65	1,163,537	19	7

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ASSETS.	Tael.	£	s.	d.
Cash on Deposit and Current Account in Shanghai	85,468.75	36,994	2	10
British Government Securities	173,433.29	67,224	15	6
Indian and Colonial Government Securities	45,130.65	17,483	2	6
Foreign Government Securities	233,203.94	90,365	10	6
Foreign Municipal Securities	487,152.29	188,771	10	3
Railway and Other Debentures and Debenture Stocks	281,520.40	109,089	3	1
Railway and Other Preference and Guaranteed Stocks	15,327.37	5,939	7	2
Railway and Other Ordinary Stocks	6,550.00	3,313	2	6
Mortgages on Property in Shanghai	313,241.25	121,396	9	8
Land and Premises—Shanghai, Hongkong and Yokohama	247,654.25	95,966	0	5
London Branch Balance				
Cash at Bankers	£ 6,151	17	8	
British Government Securities	107,800	0	0	
Indian and Colonial Government Securities	27,797	0	0	
Indian and Colonial Municipal Securities	3,600	0	0	
Foreign Municipal Securities	34,161	7	7	
Railway and Other Debentures and Debenture Stocks	4,514	0	0	
Railway and Other Preference and Guaranteed Stocks	17,800	0	0	
Railway and Other Ordinary Stocks	12,100	0	0	
	7,152	0	0	
	£221,076	5	3	
Furniture Account—				
London and Manchester	48	16	6	
Premia Outstanding, Bills Receivable, Policy Stamps, Drafts in course of collection	63,573	15	1	
	£304,698	16	10	
Less—Bills Payable and Due to Sundries	66,656	6	6	
	£238,042	10	4	
Add—London Freehold Premises	34,000	0	0	
@ 7/9 £272,042	10	4		
	702,045.20	272,042	10	4
Balances at Branches	203,689.19	78,929	11	3
Furniture at Head Office, Branches and Agencies	20,499.65	7,943	12	4
Sundry Debtors	175,672.42	68,073	1	3
@ Exchange 7/9 per Tael) Tael...	£3,002,678.65	1,163,537	19	7

WORKING ACCOUNT 1918.

Tael.	£	s.	d.
December 31, 1919.			
Net Premia	1,406,447.25		
Interest	144,793.46		
Transfer Fees	45.00		
Commissions, Charges, &c. at Head Office, Branches & Agencies	256,121.32		
Directors' & Auditors' Fees	6,600.00		
Income Tax & Other Taxes	57,952.02		
Depreciation Furniture	10,600.00		
Losses & Claims	753,709.65		
Balance carried forward	466,902.72		
Tael...	1,551,285.71		

WORKING ACCOUNT 1919.

Tael.	£	s.	d.
December 31, 1919.			
Net Premia	1,430,911.20		
Interest	153,297.57		
Transfer Fees	46.00		
Commissions, Charges, &c. at Head Office, Branches & Agencies	282,560.67		
Directors' & Auditors' Fees	7,000.00		
Income Tax & Other Taxes	33,107.99		
Depreciation Furniture	1,321.48		
Losses & Claims	377,074.45		
Balance carried forward	633,190.18		
Tael...	1,634,254.77		

WM. P. LAMBE,
W. A. ARGENT,
CHAS. M. BAIN,

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the foregoing Balance Sheet and Accounts with the Books and Vouchers of the Company in Shanghai and with the Audited Accounts received from the various Branches and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of our information and explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Company.

We have satisfied ourselves by examination and otherwise of the existence of the Securities above-mentioned.

LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,

Auditors.

Shanghai, 27th April, 1920.

A NOTE FOR SOLDIERS.

The oak leaf is an emblem denoting that the wearer was mentioned in despatches. There is a right way to wear it, and presumably some wrong ways. The latest instructions on the point are authoritative, and read as follows:

The emblem will be issued in two sizes. The larger to be worn with the Victory Medal, will be affixed to the centre of the riband at an angle of 60 degrees from the inside edge of the riband to the right. The smaller will be worn when in service dress, transversely across the riband, stem to the right.

ORGAN RECITAL.

Mr. Denman Fuller will give his next Recital in St. John's Cathedral on Monday next at 6 p.m. The programme will include a number from Tchaikovsky's famous "Nutcracker Suite," a Meditation by the well known recitalist E. W. Fry, a Pavane by Bernard Johnson, the Prelude from Rheinberger's Sonata in E flat minor, the brilliant Toccata from Widor's fifth Symphony and a very remarkable Elegiac Romance by John Ireland, the British composer who has so very suddenly come into prominence and who is one of the leading lights of the modern school of writing.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WAGES.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir.—Mr. R. Dupp's letter in your issue of Tuesday was a bit of a surprise to me and as I always take a delight in bumping against the Government—probably on account of my Irish blood—I made it my business to find out as much as I could about the new scale of salaries. I have not found out a great deal yet but what I have discovered redounds greatly to the discredit of those responsible.

"Increments are being calculated on some unknown arbitrary basis and not as announced on numbers of years of service." This requires some explanation. Who is responsible? The rate of salaries and the regulations governing them came from home I presume. Why then should anyone in the Colony be permitted to juggle with those rates and give men seniority to which they are not entitled.

As regards the new rate of salary Mr. R. Dupp deals with the junior schoolmaster but what about the seniors. Are they satisfied?

Another point your correspondent mentions is that schoolmasters are expected to lecture at the Technical Institute without further remuneration. This I understand is the outcome of the report of the salaries commission. Who were the men on that commission who dared make such a suggestion? I take it they were local business men but did they fully realise what they were doing. I am afraid not or they would not have made such a recommendation. Did they arrive at their decision because of the short hours and long holidays of schoolmasters? It is a great pity there is no branch here of the N. U. T. (National Union of Teachers). Could not a branch be formed? Then the teachers would be certain of someone to take up the cudgels on their behalf. I am not a schoolmaster, but I am an underpaid man, and if they get theirs, I may get mine.

Yours etc.,
SHIN FANE.

TENNIS YESTERDAY.

SEMI-FINAL DOUBLES CONTINUED.

At the Hongkong Cricket Club Grounds yesterday, another contest in the Semi-Finals of the Open Doubles Championship matches, was fought out, the players being, Messrs. O. and S. Rumjahn v. Messrs. Ng Sze Kwong and A. H. Rumjahn. The match resulted in the victory of the latter tandem, who took of the four sets played, scores, 8-6, 6-2, 3-6, and 6-4.

The younger Rumjahns made an excellent showing for their ages against the Singles Champion Ng Sze Kwong and A. H. Rumjahn, and should develop into unusual class when they have acquired more experience in the finer points of the game. The champion, and his partner, did not appear to exert themselves very much in this match, and as a result came near on one or two occasions, to losing two of the sets. The best set of the four was the 4th set, for which O. and S. Rumjahn gave the winners a hard battle, displaying excellent form. They came within an ace of taking this set on two occasions, but were forestalled by clever work on the part of Ng Sze Kwong, and his partner, A. H. Rumjahn.

Several hundred spectators were present at the match, which was honoured by the attendance of His Excellency the Governor, and Lady Stubbs, both of whom seemed to enjoy the tennis very much.

This afternoon, another semi-final doubles will be played, Major and Mrs. Greenway v. Major Bowen and Mrs. Timms, and will, no doubt, attract a large attendance if the weather continues fine. Yesterday was a fine day for tennis, albeit a trifle warm.

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS.

It is announced that the finals of the Tennis Championships have been arranged as follows:—
Singles, Tuesday, May 18.
Doubles, Thursday, May 20.
Challenge Round, Singles, Tuesday, May 25.
and that seats may now be booked for these matches.

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